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1. The disclosure on page 2 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP-A-1-282219 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP-A-1-282219.

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5. The disclosure on page 3 of the present specification, the indication in the International Search Report of the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office and the

submission of an English language abstract for WO 01/81456 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of WO 01/81456.

6. The disclosure on page 3 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP-A-5-237928 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP-A-5-237928.

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9. The disclosure on page 2 of the present specification constitutes a concise statement of relevance of Kobunshi Ronbunshu Vol. 56, No. 5, pp. 282-290.

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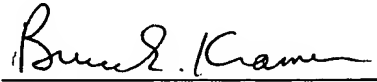
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